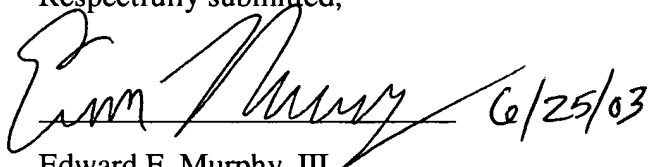


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-3, 11-12 have been allowed. The Office Action of Record rejected claims 6 and 7, but indicated that inclusion of the "electronics" feature into claim 6 would make it allowable along with its dependent claim 7. Applicants have amended claims 6 and 7 as such to place the application in condition for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for claims 1-3, 6-7, and 11-12.

Respectfully submitted,



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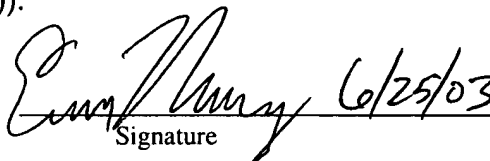
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